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The reply filed on 06-28-01 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The amendment filed on 06-28-01 cannot be entered because it does not use the proper format. Specifically, the marked up copy does not reflect all the changes made by the amendment and the marked up copy of the claims does not agree with the clean copy of the submitted claims. For example, the marked up version of claim 5 is different than the clean copy of claim 5 in the amendment submitted 06-28-01. Applicant should resubmit this amendment and verify that the original claims, the marked up version and the clean version are in agreement. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

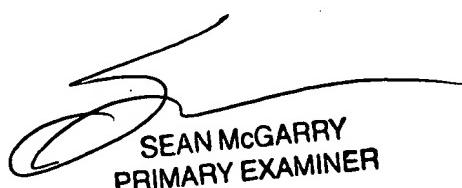
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